

Annapolis, Md Jan. 11th 1909.

Upon the assembling of the Electors, Lawrence B. Towers presented the following letter from Albert S. Towers one of the Electors from Maryland for President and Vice President of the United States, for the term beginning on and after 3^d of March next ensuing.

" Hon. N. W. Williams,
Secretary of State,
Annapolis, Md.

My dear Sir:-

I am confined to my bed with rheumatism and unable to attend the meeting of the Electors of the President and Vice President to be held in Annapolis on the 11th inst. I enclose certificate from my physician to this effect.

I entertain the hope that the vacancy may be filled by the appointment of my brother Mr. Lawrence B. Towers, who will hand you this letter.

Regretting my inability to be present in person.

I beg to remain,

Very respectfully,

(Signed) Albert S. Towers.

Accompanying the letter from Albert S. Towers was the following certificate from F. H. Nichols, M.D.

" Hon. N. W. Williams,
Secretary of State.
Dear Sir:-

This is to certify that Mr. Albert S. Towers is confined to his bed with rheumatism.

Very respectfully,
(Signed) F. H. Nichols, M. D."

Thereupon Mr. Robinson nominated Mr. Lawrence B. Towers to fill the vacancy caused by Mr. Albert S. Towers who was unanimously declared by the College as an Elector for President and Vice President of the United States, and qualified by taking the oath required by the Constitution.